

## Warrior Transition Command

The past eight years have been a time of significant investment in the development of the Warrior Care and Transition Program (WCTP). The Army Medical Action Plan was established in 2007 and the Warrior Transition Command (WTC) stood up in 2009 as the Army's proponent for the WCTP. WTC is a subordinate command of the U.S. Army Medical Command.

The WTC's mission is to provide centralized oversight, guidance, and advocacy empowering wounded, ill, or injured Soldiers, Veterans, and Families through a comprehensive transition plan for successful reintegration back into the force or into the community with dignity, respect, and self-determination. The WCTP's top priority is the welfare of Soldiers and their Families: commitment to the best care and treatment of wounded, ill, and injured Soldiers and commitment to education, training and careers.

Warrior Transition Units (WTUs) were developed in 2007 in response to concerns over the care and management of wounded, ill, and injured Soldiers and their Families. Soldiers assigned to WTUs include wounded, ill and injured active duty Soldiers who require at least six months of rehabilitative care and complex medical management and Army Reserve Component Soldiers requiring definitive medical care. While WTUs resemble a traditional Army unit, their singular mission is to provide comprehensive outpatient management that allows Soldiers to successfully heal and transition.



The Army recognizes warrior care as an enduring mission. WTC has the following core warrior care competencies:

- Acts as the overall proponent for the U.S. Army's Warrior Care and Transition Program (WCTP)
- Evaluates and standardizes Warrior Transition Unit (WTU) policies and procedures
- Implements the Comprehensive Transition Plan (CTP)
- Assists WTC and AW2 Soldiers, Veterans and their Families or Caregivers with career and education opportunities
- Ensures execution of warrior care programs, including the U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program (AW2), for the MEDCOM commander
- Coordinates with the U.S. Department of Army staff, Congress, and other services and departments on warrior care matters

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“It takes a step at a time to recover. Learning how to walk again is a challenge, but I have a valuable support system.”

– Staff Sgt. Allen Armstrong, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Maryland

WTC also oversees the Army Wounded Warrior Program (AW2). AW2 assists and advocates for the Army’s most severely wounded, ill, or injured Soldiers, their Families, and Veterans. Any Soldier with a disability rating of at least 30 percent in one or more specific categories, as well as those who have a combined rating of 50 percent or greater for any other combat or combat related condition are AW2 eligible.

Today, the Army’s WCTP consists of 25 Warrior Transition Units on Army installations throughout the United States, (including Alaska and Hawaii) Puerto Rico and Germany. Currently, 11 installations have Community Care Units (CCUs), allowing Soldiers with non-complex medical cases to heal in their home communities with the support of their Families and communities. As the WCTP moves forward, it will continue to evolve to meet the changing needs of its population as well as the Army. Warrior care remains an Army priority and a sacred obligation.

Within the WTUs, Soldiers receive personalized support from a Triad of Care that includes a Nurse Case Manager, a Squad Leader, and a Primary Care Manager. The Triad of Care coordinates clinical and non-clinical issues to successfully transition Soldiers and their Families either back to the force or onward to successful civilian lives. Since inception, WTUs have helped more than 65,700 Soldiers to heal and transition and returned more than 29,400 Soldiers back to the force.

### BY THE NUMBERS

**\* 4,001 Soldiers currently recovering at 25 WTUs and 11 CCUs**

◇Active Duty: **1,778**

◇National Guard: **1,068**

◇Reserve: **1,155**

**\* More than 3,100 professional military and civilian cadre**

**\* Soldiers in WTUs who have deployed to theater at some point in their careers: 84 percent**

**\* Battle injured: 167**

**\* PTSD as primary condition: 453**

**\* Soldiers supported by WCTP since 2007: more than 66,000**

**\* Soldiers returned to the force: 45 percent**

*Numbers current as of February 2, 2015*

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